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For: LIQUID CONTAINING BAG AND FROZEN DESSERT MANUFACTURING

APPARATUS USING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED September 18, 2008

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated September 18, 2008.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-2; and Group (II), Claims 3-18.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (II), Claims 3-18 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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